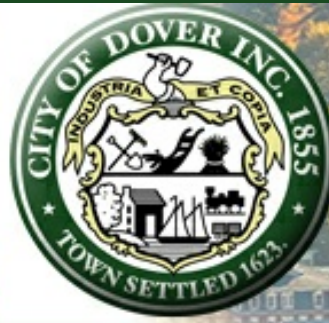


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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



May 7, 2021



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288 Central
Avenue
Dover, NH 03820
603-516-6000

City Hall
hours:

Monday-Thursday:
8:30 a.m. to 5:30
p.m.

Friday:
8:30 a.m. to 4



Police and Fire departments discuss proposed budgets at City Council workshop

Public hearing on school portion of proposed budget is next Wednesday

The City Council continued its review of the proposed fiscal year 2022 budget during a workshop this past Wednesday, May 5.

p.m.
**Recycling
Center hours:**

Tuesday,
Thursday,
Saturday:
8:30 a.m. to 3:30
p.m.

At the workshop, the Council heard budget presentations from the Police and Fire departments.

The workshop can be viewed in full at dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=08RVM9aOVKoY. Copies of individual department PowerPoint budget presentations are located along with the agenda and workshop minutes, [available here](#).

Earlier this month, City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. presented the proposed fiscal year 2022 budget and provided a brief overview. The budget in its entirety can be viewed at the [City of Dover's Budget Revealed webpage](#). Budget presentation videos are also posted to the page.

The FY 2022 budget, encompassing all city departments and the Dover School District, provides proposed appropriations of \$166,173,251 across all funds. This includes proposed appropriations of \$133,834,473 from the general fund, \$13,807,584 from special revenue funds, such as grants, and \$18,531,194 spending from proprietary funds, such as the sewer and water accounts funded by user fees.

A public hearing on the school portion of the proposed budget will be held during the City Council's next regular meeting on Wednesday, May 12, 2021. To accommodate physical distancing and other COVID-19 precautions, Council Conference Room occupancy will be limited. Those wishing to address the City Council are encouraged to do so by email at CityCouncil-All@dover.nh.gov or by phone at 603-516-6338 (MEET). All email and phone messages received before 4 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be recognized by the City Council.

The proposed school budget includes the 'default budget' the School Board passed at its March 8 meeting for School District operations. The default school budget is \$73,075,963, a \$6,264,907 increase over the current 2021 fiscal year budget and \$5,168,041 above the tax cap. During a School Department presentation to the City Council on April 21, School Superintendent William Harbron and Business Administrator Michael Limanni said negotiations with the Dover Teachers' Union were ongoing to try and revise the budget as tax-cap compliant. The City Council passed a resolution April 14 stating the default budget was not "viable" and urged the School Department and School Board to reduce the budget to within the tax cap.

The next workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, at 7 p.m. At that workshop, the Council is expected to hear the final departmental presentation, for Community Services, before beginning general budget discussions.

Future budget workshops, public hearings, and budget adoptions — all scheduled on Wednesday — include:

- **May 12** at 7 p.m. — Regular meeting — Public hearing on School District proposed budget
- **May 19** at 7 p.m. — Budget review workshop — Presentation by Community Services Department
- **May 26** at 7 p.m. — Regular meeting — Public hearing on City budget
- **June 2** at 7 p.m. — Budget review workshop — budget deliberation

- **June 2** immediately following the workshop — Special meeting — FY2022 budget adoption
- **June 9** at 7 p.m. — Regular meeting — Fallback FY2022 budget adoption.



City's public water supply, drought preparations are focus of May 12 City Council workshop

Residents still asked to help conserve water

At a workshop session on Wednesday, May 12, the City Council will discuss current drought conditions and the effects on the public water supply. The workshop will begin at 6 p.m., preceding the regular meeting at 7 p.m. The workshop agenda can be viewed here: <https://go.usa.gov/xHwdG>.

The City has already urged water users to voluntarily conserve water.

According to Community Services Director John Storer, the city's aquifers are at "concerningly low levels."

The aquifers the City of Dover relies on for drinking water have been about two feet below average in early spring, when levels typically peak from snowmelt and spring precipitation.

Storer said the current water levels are similar to those during the extended 2015 drought.

"We will likely need months of normal to above-normal precipitation to pull out of the current conditions," Storer said.

As of May 6, the U.S. Drought Monitor classifies the area as being "abnormally dry," one step above a "moderate drought" designation. The City of Dover and much of the region have oscillated between "abnormally dry" and "extreme drought" since June 23, 2020.

In April, city water users were drawing, on average, about 1.8 million gallons of water per day, slightly up from 1.7 million gallons per day in March, but well below last summer's peak. However, those levels are already trending up this month.

The City of Dover elected to take one of its four aquifers offline in 2019 to not further draw contaminants into the aquifer from the former Madbury Metals site nearby, which is also challenging the water supply. The City is working with the property owner to remediate the site and build a state-of-the-art water treatment plant, which is expected to be under construction later this year.

City prepares to purge voter list, sends notice to those who haven't voted in four years

As required by state law, Dover City Clerk Susan Mistretta has mailed letters to registered

voters who have not voted in the past four years, notifying them that they will be removed from the City of Dover's voter checklist unless they reregister by Aug. 1, 2021.

State law RSA 654:39 requires the Supervisors of the Checklist to verify the checklist of registered voters every 10 years. While the City Clerk regularly updates the voter checklist after being notified that a voter has moved out of Dover or has died, the decennial checklist verification identifies those who may have died out of state or moved out of Dover and did not provide notice. No response is required if the person named in this letter has permanently moved out of town or has passed away. If Supervisors of the Checklist do not receive a response, they will remove the voter from the checklist.

For those who remain in Dover and have not voted, the letter mailed by the City Clerk on Monday, May 3, provides instructions on remaining active on the voter checklist to participate in upcoming elections.

The Supervisors of Checklist met on April 27, 2021, and identified 2,495 registered City of Dover voters who have not voted in the past four years and would be removed from the registered voter checklist if no action is taken. The Supervisors of the Checklist must complete this verification by Aug. 1, 2021.

When reregistering to vote, a person will be required to complete a new voter registration form. The voter must provide proof of identity and the address of your domicile/primary residence. If a voter does not possess proof when they appear to register, they may prove qualifications by completing an affidavit.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6012. The office is located at City Hall, 288 Central Ave., in Dover. It is open Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Community garden sign-ups now open

Those interested in becoming members of two new community gardens in Dover can now sign up to reserve a plot online at dovergarden.com.

The two community gardens are being organized by a grassroots, all-volunteer group. The community gardens are located at Garrison Hill Park and on county farmland adjacent to Strafford County's William A. Grimes Justice and Administration Building.



New members are required to complete the paperwork online and to pay an annual fee that helps cover some of the costs of the operation of the gardens. Those without a credit or debit card to complete the online payment are asked to contact admin@dovergarden.com. Those unable to afford the yearly fee can request financial assistance.

The Conservation Commission and the City Council approved the use of the space at Garrison Hill Park in April. The Conservation Commission approved expending a maximum of \$14,000 from the Conservation Fund to seed the project startup.

Part of the money would include funding any needed utility work, building a fence around the garden, erecting a shed and purchasing tools and garden supplies.

For more information about the community garden and how to get involved, visit dovergarden.com.



State to hold virtual public hearing, informational session on General Sullivan Bridge May 13

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation has prepared a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS), in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, for the proposed rehabilitation or replacement of the General Sullivan Bridge over Little Bay in the Town of Newington and City of Dover. The DSEIS can be accessed and downloaded from the project website, http://www.newington-dover.com/gsb_subsite/index.html or can be viewed as a hard copy document at the Dover Public Library and Dover City Hall.

There will be a public hearing to present the project's impact on environmental resources and accept comments on the DSEIS document. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this hearing will be held virtually, via Zoom Webinar, on Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 6 p.m. Written comments will be accepted through June 7, 2021. Comments may be submitted in writing or by email to Ms. Jennifer Reczek at NH Department of Transportation, 7 Hazen Drive, PO Box 483, Concord, NH 03302-0483 or Jennifer.E.Reczek@dot.nh.gov.

To attend the Zoom Webinar meeting from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or an Android device please go to <https://vhb.zoom.us/j/98070244560?pwd=SzBmWGpDdGhuUFZITzlhSzFSNHB5QT09>. When prompted type in the passcode: 739543

To join the Zoom Meeting by telephone, dial 1-301-715-8592. When prompted enter on your keypad the Meeting ID followed by #: 980 7024 4560. Next, you will be prompted to enter your Participant ID followed by #: 739543. Participants that call in on the telephone must press *6 to mute or unmute and *9 to raise and lower your hand. International numbers are available at <https://zoom.us/u/aJsTC21g>.

Any individuals needing assistance or auxiliary communication equipment due to sensory impairment or other disability, should contact the Bureau of Right-of-Way, NHDOT, PO Box 483, Concord, New Hampshire 03302-0483 or call 603-271-3222 – TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964. Notification for the need of assistance should be made at the earliest convenience.

If an individual wishing to participate in the public hearing does not have access to internet or telephone service, please contact Ms. Jennifer Reczek by 4:30 p.m., May 10, 2021.

Volunteers needed for Main Street's Dover Pride Clean Up Day next Saturday, May 15

Dover Main Street will hold its annual Dover Pride Clean Up Day on this year on Saturday, May 15, 2021, from 8 a.m. to noon. Last year's clean-up day was cancelled due to the pandemic.

Dover Pride Clean Up Day is a great opportunity

to get of the house and do something for your community.

Individuals, organizations or groups wishing to volunteer for this year's event may register on the Dover Main Street website at <https://dovermainstreet.org/doverPride.php> or visit to the registration table at the Cocheco Mill courtyard on morning of the event.

Bring your home gardening tools if you can -- gloves, brooms, rakes, shovels, and wheelbarrows. Make sure to put your name on your tools. This is a rain-or-shine event, so please come prepared.

Due to the continued uncertainty of the pandemic, Dover Main Street will not hold the traditional breakfast or lunch this year. Dover Main Street also recommends wearing a mask and maintaining a six-foot physical distance from others.



Downtown water main work continues this week

The downtown infrastructure project to replace 125-year-old water pipes along Washington Street and Main Street continues this week. The six-month project is expected to have traffic impacts and limited durations of water shutoff as infrastructure is replaced.

This project will replace 3,000 feet of some of the oldest water distribution pipes in the downtown area with a new ductile iron pipe that will provide reliable water service for the next 100-plus years. This work will include street excavation, lane closures, and evening water shutoffs in the downtown area.

The City encourages pedestrians and motorists to be vigilant while moving throughout the downtown area and look for signs providing information about the project and sections of streets and sidewalks closed for construction. Uneven road conditions and sidewalks are likely to occur, so please use caution driving, riding bikes and walking in the area.

For more information, contact Community Services at 516-6450.

To receive email updates about the project, visit bit.ly/doverdownload and select "Project updates: Washington and Main Water Improvements."

Upcoming Meetings:

**School Board, May 10,
7 p.m.**

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 10, 2021, beginning at 7 p.m. in Room 305 at the McConnell Center. To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**Planning Board, May
11, 7 p.m.**

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on



On the Agenda: Planning Board

In a video released this week, Assistant City Manager Christopher Parker delves into the agenda for the next regular meeting of the Planning Board on Tuesday, May 11.

Tuesday, May 11, 2021, beginning at 7 p.m.in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

City Council, May 12, 6 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop session, followed by a regular meeting, on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, beginning at 6 p.m.in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the workshop agenda, [click here](#).

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.

The agenda includes the annual gravel pit applications.

The video can be viewed by clicking the image above or at this link: <https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=O5di2jh9sRQk>.

City boards provide many ways to let your voice be heard

The City of Dover reminds residents that it is easy to participate in public meetings without attending in person. Public participation is vital for City of Dover operations and future planning.

Dover residents, business owners and property owners may contact any public board or commission, such as the City Council or School Board, by utilizing specific email addresses or contact information that reaches all members at once. People can also call 516-MEET (6338) and leave a message that will be forwarded to the appropriate public body. To be heard ahead of a particular meeting, call or email at least two hours before the meeting begins.

As with speaking at a public hearing or Citizens' Forum, phone messages and emails sent to all board members will be retained as part of the meeting minutes and are subject to New Hampshire's Right to Know law, RSA 91:A.

City Council, School Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings and workshops are televised live on Channel 22 and available for on-demand viewing at <https://dovernh.viebit.com/>.

To see all of the City's boards, commissions and committees, [click here](#).

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018.

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board meetings on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch them again, online and on demand. Simply visit www.dovernh.viebit.com to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

DID YOU KNOW



Did you know there is a Dog Park in Dover?

The Longhill Dog Park allows dogs to get off-leash exercise while socializing with other pets.

Located at the Longhill Memorial Park off Longhill Road, view hours of operation and rules for use: <http://ow.ly/afk830jCsbB>.



Seacoast Region Virtual Job Fair is May 19

This year's Seacoast Region Virtual Job Fair will be held on Wednesday, May 19, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This event for the Seacoast region of New Hampshire is for job seekers in every stage of their job search, whether it's a first job or the first time seeking employment in many years.

There will be positions of all levels in multiple industries. Job seekers will also be in attendance to discuss changing careers and what is out there to assist in doing so.

For more information, visit <https://go.usa.gov/xHwvd>.



Vaccine



THE ROAD TO RECOVERY:

HOW THE COVID-19 VACCINES
HELP EVERYONE

Need more information about the COVID-19 vaccines?

In a video released this week, local and regional health officials and community leaders discuss the vaccinations available for the COVID-19 coronavirus.

In addition to explaining how the vaccines work, the vaccination effort so far, and how vaccines help everyone, many common myths are also addressed.

The video can be viewed here: bit.ly/dovervaccine.

The video includes an index of topics for easy access.

COVID-19 updates

Want to receive the latest information about the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic and how it affects your community? Sign up for the City of Dover's email updates and you'll receive helpful information from local and state health officials about the pandemic, including how you can protect yourself and others, how to safely enjoy the holidays, what to consider before traveling, and much more.

To start receiving the email updates, visit bit.ly/doverdownload and select COVID-19 updates from the list of city newsletters.

For more information, visit the City's COVID-19 [online resource here](#).

What you should know about COVID-19

COVID-19 can present with a wide range of symptoms including fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, runny nose, nasal congestion, sore throat, fatigue, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or loss of taste or smell. Any person who develops new symptoms should stay home, limit their contact with others, immediately contact their healthcare provider and get tested for COVID-19. [Guidance for self-quarantine is available here](#).

Whether or not you are experiencing symptoms, multiple testing options throughout the State are available to potentially exposed individuals. For persons without health insurance or a primary care provider, testing is available and can be scheduled by calling (603) 271-5980 or through completing the online form at business.nh.gov/DOS_COVID19Testing. Other options can be found here: www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/testing-guidance.htm.

registration now open to all

COVID-19 vaccine registration is open to everyone in New Hampshire ages 16 and older. Parental consent is required for anyone 16 and 17 years of age. To register and schedule your vaccine appointment, go to vaccines.nh.gov and create an account in NH's Vaccine and Immunization Network Interface (VINI). Once registered you will receive an email to activate your account and schedule your appointment. You can also call 2-1-1 for help with registering and scheduling. When registering, please be prepared to answer questions about allergies and medications. Information about health insurance is requested, but this information is not required. You will not be charged if you are vaccinated at a state-run site.

For tip sheets and videos that help guide you through the process, visit the [NH Resident Resources](#) page.

COVID-19 continues to circulate in our communities, so all people need to protect themselves and help prevent further community spread, by:

- [Stay at least 6 feet away from others](#), whenever possible. This is very important in preventing the spread of COVID-19.
- [Cover your mouth and nose with a mask](#) when around others. This helps reduce the risk of spread both by close contact and by airborne transmission.
- [Wash your hands](#) often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- [Avoid crowded indoor spaces](#) and [ensure indoor spaces are properly ventilated](#) by bringing in outdoor air as much as possible. In general, being outdoors and in spaces with good ventilation reduces the risk of exposure to infectious respiratory droplets.
- [Stay home and isolate](#) from others when sick.
- [Routinely clean and disinfect](#) frequently touched surfaces.

For more information on COVID-19 in NH, please visit www.nh.gov/covid19/.

Source: New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest European permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, [located here](#).

May 10, 1708 — Philip Chesley, Ezekiel Wentworth, John Downing and John Tuttle were appointed to a committee to join with the selectmen for the repairing or building of such bridges as were thought necessary over such river or rivers as belong to the town. It was also voted that as "several persons made scruples about paying their mill rents according to the conditions made with the town," and John Tuttle, the treasurer, was "empowered to use all lawful means by action or other ways about recovering the same."

May 9, 1709 — As complaint had been made that the pound on the Neck was not sufficient to accommodate other parts of the town, it was ordered that the inhabitants or any part of them living at Cochecho, Oyster River, or Bloody Point, should have liberty to build a pound in all or each of said places, at their own cost and charge, the same to be held and accounted by the town pound or pounds, and the keepers thereof and their fees were to be appointed, ordered and directed by the selectmen.

May 13, 1729 — The petitioners who called for a new parish in Dover (in what is now Somersworth) appeared and were heard by their counsel, resulting in the appointment of a committee "to go on the spot and view the several districts and settle a dividing line according to their best judgments and that the petitioners in the meantime be free from being rated to the minister of the old town and the major part agreeing shall be accounted sufficient to make return at the next session for confirmation."

May 14, 1849 — Died, Eunice Varney, aged 99 years, 5 months, 21 days — a member of the Society of Friends and the oldest person in town.

May 12, 1862 — A salute was fired and all the bells in the city rung, by order of the Mayor, in honor of the glorious achievement of our arms at New Orleans, Norfolk and elsewhere.

THE COTTON MILLS OF DOVER, NH

PRESENTED BY CATHY BEAUDOIN

400

TUESDAY, MAY 11
7 P.M.

Dover400 historical lecture series continues Tuesday with 'The Cotton Mills of Dover'

Dover400, a committee of residents organizing Dover's 400th Anniversary, continues its virtual lecture series on May 11, 2021 at 7 p.m. with an online presentation about the history of the Cochecho Mills in downtown Dover.

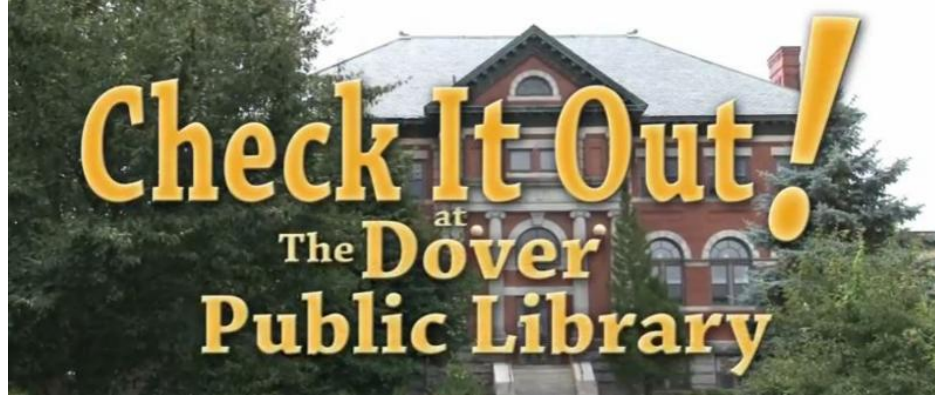
These huge brick structures at the center of our community, perched over the Cochecho River and its Falls, began as the nascent Dover Cotton Factory, matured into the flourishing Dover Manufacturing Company, grew to prosperity as the highly renowned Cochecho Manufacturing Company and Print Works, and finally sputtered to an inglorious end as the Pacific Mills.

Along the way, from their beginnings in 1812 to their demise in 1937, the mills shaped not only the generations of people who worked there, but also the civic direction and economic development of the City of Dover. The webinar's audience will learn about both astounding feats and abysmal events which occurred in these mills including: the first strike by women in the United States, a calico manufactory that annually printed and shipped 65 million yards of fabric worldwide during the 1880s, plus tales of industrial spying, dung baths, waves of immigrants, and some disastrous fires and floods.

These former factories still physically dominate our downtown, influence our business community, our traffic patterns, and our commercial and residential development. They still affect our urban vibrancy and livability, and still proudly stand as a symbol of Dover's industrial heritage, even more than eight decades after they closed.

Our lecturer for this event is Cathy Beaudoin. Cathy was Library Director at the Dover Public Library from 1999—2020 and has been a Dover history researcher since 1975. She is the co-author, with Robert Whitehouse, of "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" and has developed and written many historical reenactment events and neighborhood walking tour brochures. Now retired, she is a member of the Dover 400th Committee, the Cemetery Board, and also serves on the Board of Directors for the Woodman Museum.

Each Dover400 presentation is free and open to the public, but pre-registration is required. To sign up for the May 11, 2021 lecture, please RSVP on www.Dover400.org or register directly at <https://ringcentr.al/3sl0496/>.



Nutrition myth busting and healthy food alternatives virtual class at Dover Public Library

Keto, paleo, intermittent fasting... Have you tried all the popular fad diets with little success? Is your head spinning trying to figure out which is right for you?

Let's bust some nutrition myths. Learn about popular fad diets, whether or not they're truly good for your body, and alternative healthy eating habits in Nutrition Myth Busting & Healthy Food Alternatives: a free online nutrition class hosted by the Dover Public Library on Tuesday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m.

The class will be led by Brittany Wujek and Lily Vincoor, recent nutrition dietetics graduates from the University of New Hampshire. They will provide evidence-based evaluations on popular diet trends and provide tips on how to incorporate healthy eating into your daily lifestyle. Attendees are invited to ask questions at the end of the presentation.

This program will be held live online through Ring Central and registration is required to access the login information. This program is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, visit library.dover.nh.gov/events or call the Library at 603-516-6050.

The Week at the Library

May VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *Healthyish* by Lindsay Maitland Hunt. Throughout the month of May, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the books and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the books. We will share your creations on our social media pages throughout the month. Photos can be sent to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, May 10, 6 to 8 p.m.

VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: Teen B
Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons LIVE online through Roll20 with Dungeon Master Aidan! This Monday night group is on the arctic survival quest Rime of the Frostmaiden! A perfect starting point for players new and old, adventurers will have to brave the elements and face the dangerous polar monsters of Icewind Dale to protect what few settlements cling to the ice. Registration required

both astounding and abysmal events occurred in these mills and shaped not only the generations of people who worked there, but also the civic direction and economic development of the City of Dover. Registration required.

Wednesday, May 12, 10 to 11 a.m. Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club in the Lecture Hall

Hello history buffs and lifelong learners! This month we are reading *How to Do Nothing* by Jenny Odell! Pick up a copy at the front desk or listen to it as an audiobook through Hoopla. Registration required.

Wednesday, May 12, 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Big Kid Storytime on the Front Lawn
Kids in grades K-3 are invited to join us for a special new storytime! We will be exploring longer picture books with richer content. This program will be on the front lawn. In case of rain, it will be in the Lecture Hall.

Wednesday, May 12, 6 to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 11, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime on the Lawn

Families are invited to join us for storytime on the front lawn. Kids of all ages with an adult will enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes.

A craft will be available to take home.

Please register for this event since attendance is limited to 5 groups. Groups will be appropriately distanced and please wear a mask.

Tuesday, May 11, 6 to 8 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: 18+ in the Lecture Hall

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for two hours of adventure, imagination, and strategy. The group will meet every Tuesday night, though you do not need to have attended previous sessions to enjoy your first game. No experience or materials are required and all skill levels are welcome to play. Sessions will be socially distant indoors in the Lecture Hall. Please ensure at least six feet of space between yourself and other attendees and that you wear a mask while in the library.

Tuesday, May 11, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
Dover 400th Series: Cotton Mills of Dover Online

They still physically dominate our downtown, influence our business community, our traffic patterns, and our commercial and residential development.

They still affect our urban vibrancy and livability and still proudly stand as a symbol of Dover's industrial heritage, even almost eight decades after they closed. From their beginnings in 1812 to their demise in 1937,

Teen Advisory Board in the Lecture Hall

The Teen Advisory Board is a group of 7 - 12 graders who are interested in shaping the library's programs and services aimed at middle and high-school students. Members attend monthly meetings in order to share their ideas, help to plan future events/ services for teens and work toward making the library a teen-friendly space in our community.

Thursday, May 13, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime on the Lawn

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A craft will be available to take home.

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Friday, May 14, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

VIRTUAL Mother Goose on the Loose

Join Miss JoJo for lots of songs, rhymes, stories and silliness! This program is for babies through Pre-K, siblings are always welcome. You will be required to submit your library card information upon registering as this program is for patrons of DPL only. Once you are approved, you will be provided with a secure link to our virtual session via Ring Central.

Friday, May 14, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Read WITH a Librarian

Children can practice their reading skills with or be read to by a librarian. New readers will gain confidence and all children will experience the joy of sharing books. Drop-in to the Children's Room anytime between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m.



Dover celebrates Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month

As part of the City of Dover's commitment to racial equality, diversity and equity, the City joins in celebrating Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month, recognized each May since 1992.

Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month celebrates Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States. A rather broad term, Asian/Pacific encompasses all of the Asian continent and the Pacific islands of Melanesia (New Guinea, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Fiji and the Solomon

Islands), Micronesia (Marianas, Guam, Wake Island, Palau, Marshall Islands, Kiribati, Nauru and the Federated States of Micronesia) and Polynesia (New Zealand, Hawaiian Islands, Rotuma, Midway Islands, Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, Cook Islands, French Polynesia and Easter Island).

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Like most commemorative months, Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month originated with Congress. In 1977 Reps. Frank Horton of New York introduced House Joint Resolution 540 to proclaim the first ten days in May as Pacific/Asian American Heritage Week. In the same year, Senator Daniel Inouye introduced a similar resolution, Senate Joint Resolution 72. Neither of these resolutions passed, so in June 1978, Rep. Horton introduced House Joint Resolution 1007. This resolution proposed that the President should “proclaim a week, which is to include the seventh and tenth of the month, during the first ten days in May of 1979 as ‘Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week.’” This joint resolution was passed by the House and then the Senate and was signed by President Jimmy Carter on October 5, 1978 to become Public Law 95-419. This law amended the original language of the bill and directed the President to issue a proclamation for the “7 day period beginning on May 4, 1979 as ‘Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week.’” During the next decade, presidents passed annual proclamations for Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week until 1990 when Congress passed Public Law 101-283 which expanded the observance to a month for 1990. Then in 1992, Congress passed Public Law 102-450, which annually designated May as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month.

The month of May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The majority of the workers who laid the tracks were Chinese immigrants.

Source and more information: <https://asianpacificheritage.gov>.



**A guide to solid waste and
curbside recycling**

Don't let your recycling be rejected

Is your trash or recycling not getting picked up? It may be because it does not conform to the City of Dover's recycling and solid waste rules.

Dover's Community Services Director John Storer requests that curbside customers ensure the items placed in recycling containers are recyclable consistent with local guidelines and that bulky items are correctly tagged.



What's acceptable for curbside recycling in Dover?

- **Plastic:** #1, #2 and #5, provided the items are bottles, tubs and jugs. Rinse and dry. Bottle caps can be recycled if removed, washed, and placed back on the bottle. Loose caps, which fall through processing screens, cannot be recycled.
- **Glass:** only bottles and jars. Rinse and dry.
- **Cardboard, cartons and paper:** Newspaper, magazines, office paper and junk mail only. Flatten all boxes, then place them into recycling bins, paper bags, or bundle and tie. When flattened, cardboard dimensions must not exceed two feet by two feet. Pizza boxes with grease must be thrown away as the oil contaminates the other recyclables.
- **No styrofoam is accepted**, even with a recycling symbol on the packing.
- **No plastic bags** are accepted.

Plastics that are not accepted include plastic bags, plastic utensils, straws, plastic wrap, tarps and colored cups. Recycling bins that contain non-recyclable items may not be picked up or flagged with a warning sticker. See full details of [Waste Management's curbside pickup here](#).

Nationwide, Waste Management estimates that 25 percent of items placed in recycling bins are actually trash. This 25 percent of trash can contaminate the good recycling commingled with it.

"Recycling contamination happens when trash ruins otherwise good recyclables," says Waste Management in their [Recycling 101 webpage](#).

For example, food or liquid placed recycling that saturates paper and cardboard can contaminate it. "Once contaminated, these recyclables can no longer be recycled. They become trash."

Bulky trash items

For large, non-metal trash items, such as beds, couches, toilets, sinks, carpets, and furniture, residents must purchase a "Bulky Item Tag" for each bulky trash item to be picked up. A bulky item tag costs \$10 and is available at most places where Dover trash bags can be purchased. See the Community Services' [Bag and Tag webpage](#) for a list of locations.

Please note, televisions, computer monitors, microwaves and other metal objects are not accepted for bulky item pickup.

Items left on the curb without a tag may be turned over to the City's health officer to see whether the items can be traced to a property.

All recycling and trash, including bulky tag items, should still be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on the designated collection day or as early as 4 p.m. the day before.

For more information, contact Community Services at 516-6450.

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions,

including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.
The City of Dover is now seeking applications the following positions:

- **Police Officer**
- **Heavy equipment mechanic / automotive technician**
- **Summer day camp counselor**
- **Lifeguard**
- **Seasonal maintenance worker**
- **Truck drivers**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

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